

CITY OF CANEY  
CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
March 2, 2026

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Elliott called the regular City Council meeting to order at 6:30 pm Monday, March 2, 2026 in the Council Chambers at City Hall located at 100 W 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

**B. ROLL CALL**

Present:	Josh Elliot	Mayor
	Kenith Butts	Council Member
	Elizabeth Burch	Council Member
	Becky Dye	Council Member

Staff:	Ike Dye	Police Chief
	Adam Lanter	City Clerk
	Jalissa Jones	Utilities Clerk

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION**

Attendees recited the pledge of allegiance and Mayor Elliott led the invocation.

**D. CITIZEN PRESENTATION/VISITOR COMMENTS**

Clara stated that she was a member of the 4-H club. She informed the Governing Body about her calf Marshmallow. Wendie and Clara have been taking care of the calf since her mom got sick. She went on to state that she takes care of Marshmallow's needs while providing a safe and healthy environment for her. Wendie stated that their formal request had been provided to City staff and informed the Council that they are looking to keep a bottle calf on their property in City Limits. She went on to state that they already have a privacy fence so that neighbors won't have to see it and have an enclosure for the calf to remain within the privacy fence. Wendie went on to state that bottle calves do vocalize around feeding time but that it was comparable to a neighborhood dog or cat. Council Member Burch inquired how long the calf would remain at the residence. Wendie stated that it would be six (6) to eight (8) weeks on the bottle and would remain while school was in session. Mayor Elliott stated that there had been another request for a lamb or goat over the weekend and that he had given both permission to

keep the animals within the City limits. He stated that staff would prepare an ordinance that would make this work for children in 4-H. He went on to state that he was envisioning re-applying every sixty (60) days to ensure compliance with the forth coming ordinance.

**E. REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM THE AGENDA**

There were no items removed from the agenda.

**F. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**F.1. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 16, 2026 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING.**

**F.2. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EXPENSES (FEBRUARY 16<sup>th</sup> TO FEBRUARY March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026 ):**

Brenntag Southwest	\$8,068.60
Evergy	\$10,697.90
Waste Connections	\$21,175.42

**F.3. APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL EXPENSES:**

Approval of Payroll (February 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2026)	\$45,412
KPERS	\$5,651.53
BCBS	\$8,542.13

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER BURCH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BUTTS TO APPROVE ITEMS F.1, F.2., AND F.3. AS PRESENTED.**

**MOTION CARRIES 3-0.**

**F.4. APPROVAL OF MAIN STREET AUTO EXPENSES:**

Invoice #010263	\$36.06
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**A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER BURCH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BUTTS TO APPROVE ITEM F.4. AS PRESENTED.**

**MOTION CARRIES 3-0.**

## **G. OLD BUSINESS**

### **G.1. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ORDINANCE 2026-04 UPDATING SEWER RATES AND AUTHORIZE THE NECESSARY SIGNATURES.**

Staff stated that this is strictly codifying how the City is billing for sewer. They went on to state that this ordinance is updating the verbiage so that it matches the water rates. Staff reiterated that this ordinance updates the verbiage from billing in cubic feet to billing in gallons. Staff reiterated that they are attempting to get ahead of people asking questions so that people can be directed to the website. Council Member Burch stated that the date was wrong on the ordinance. Staff stated that they had noticed that after that agenda packet was published and that the ordinance that would be signed off on was updated to reflect the date. Council Member Burch reiterated that this is not updating the price but merely the verbiage. Staff stated that that was correct.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER BURCH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DYE TO APPROVE ITEM G.1. AS PRESENTED.**

**MOTION CARRIES 3-0.**

### **G.2. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER OPTIONS FOR THE DEMOLITION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 203 N STATE.**

Staff stated that they were unsure in what direction the Governing Body was seeking to go with this item after the previous meeting, so they went ahead and obtained additional quotes. Staff stated that the low bid was G&G Dozer and that they went ahead and inspected the property and did not find signs of asbestos and as a result reduced their quote from \$12,000 to \$10,300. Staff stated that they reached out to four (4) additional companies and received quotes from two (2) of those companies. Staff reiterated that the presentation of these quotes was not to imply that demolishing the structure was the course chartered by the City but wanted to show that they are doing their due diligence to accomplish the Governing Body's goals. Staff stated that they had received word that the property was slated to go to tax sale later in 2026 but acknowledged that tax sales can be delayed sometimes. Mayor Elliott clarified that the tax sale was in November, staff clarified that the tax sale was currently set for August-September but re-iterated that they are prone to be moved. Mayor Elliott inquired where the funds would come from. Staff stated that funds would come from the General Fund if the Governing Body decided to accept a quote. Council Member Burch stated that the property would still be going to tax sale later this year, so the City is essentially just clearing the lot and that the City was unlikely to recoup

those funds. Mayor Elliott responded that that was correct but that if it went to tax sale and got new owners then the condemnation process would start all over. Council Member Dye stated that it could cost the City more than the quote from G&G Dozer if someone goes on the property between now and the tax sale if someone goes on the property and gets hurt between now and then. Mayor Elliott requested clarification on why this did not qualify under the CDBG Revitalization grant and inquired whether it was due to them not completing the demolition form. Staff stated that that was the case. Staff added that there are about four (4) or five (5) more that are ready to go through the condemnation process. They reiterated that staff wanted to walk the Governing Body through the process in its entirety with one property before inundating the body with more. Council Member Burch inquired if there was any way that the property could be added to the landbank to recoup some of the cost. Mayor Elliott stated that that was not possible since the property owners could not be reached. Staff stated that this problem that they have run into with this property is the owners have been unreachable despite repeated attempts. Staff reiterated that this could be a recurring issue as we bring more properties into the condemnation process. Mayor Elliott stated that if the property went to tax sale the new buyer could be unwilling to proceed. Staff stated that this would be an expense but that it also opened the door for new revenue in the future with new construction.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER BUTTS, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DYE TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM G&G DOZER TO DEMOLISH THE STRUCTURE AT 203 N. STATE.**

**MOTION CARRIES 3-0.**

**G.3. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OF A PICKUP TRUCK FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IN AN AMOUNT NTE \$20,000 FROM THE POLICE, FIRE, AND AMBULANCE FUND.**

Mayor Elliott stated that he had received word from Fire Chief Wood that he would like to hold off until all of the vehicles and equipment was serviced and tested to ensure that there are no major repairs needed. Mayor Elliott stated that the Governing Body's offer to give one of the Police Department's patrol cars to the Fire Department once their new vehicles arrived still stands.

**H. NEW BUSINESS**

**H.1. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ORDINANCE 2026-05 UPDATING THE WATER RATES AND AUTHORIZE THE NECESSARY SIGNATURES.**

Staff stated that this is not updating numbers or pricing but strictly updating verbiage, similar to the sewer ordinance.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER BURCH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DYE TO APPROVE ITEM H.1. AS PRESENTED.**

**MOTION CARRIES 3-0.**

**H.2. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OF A NEW RIVER PUMP FOR THE WATER PLANT.**

Mayor Elliott stated that there was an emergency at the water plant and one of the river pumps went down. Mayor Elliott inquired how many river pumps there were and staff confirmed that there were three (3). Staff stated that two of them are currently down and only one (1) is currently operating. Staff went on to state that the second one that is down has a check valve issue and when the company comes out to install the new pump, they would check the other pump currently offline to see what repairs on the second pump would cost. Staff went on to state that the turn-round time should be quick.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER DYE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BUTTS TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A NEW RIVER PUMP FOR THE WATER PLANT.**

**MOTION CARRIES 3-0.**

**H.3. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OF A NEW PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING AND PUTTING THE OLD BUILDINGS UP FOR SALE OR BID ONCE RELOCATION IS COMPLETE.**

Mayor Elliott stated that this had been being discussed for some time. Mayor Elliott stated that the owner of Patriot Service Company reached out and inquired if the City would be interested in purchasing the facility located at 101 E Fourth Ave. Mayor Elliott stated that the plan would be to sell the current buildings to help fund the purchase of the new building. He stated his intent to get with Legal for clarification on that process. He went on to state the intention of tearing down the old Fire Department building and then adding on to the metal building. He stated that the building is in rough shape but that it could be fixed. He thought it would be best to offer the building to Thornton Graphics since the properties are next to each other but wanted clarification from legal on that process since the building was City owned. Mayor Elliott stated that the Cemetery building would be put up for sale. He stated that the owner of 101 E Fourth Ave is seeking One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the facility. Mayor Elliott stated

that the plan would be to fence off half of the parking lot for court parking and allow for an impound lot for the Police Department. He went on to state that this would consolidate all of the Public Works' facilities into one location. Council Member Burch added that it would also be close to City Hall as well. Mayor Elliott went on to state that there is office space in the facility as well which would allow them to relocate fully to that one location. He went on to state that the utility bills were present for the Council to see what the expense of maintaining the current buildings were. Mayor Elliott stated that he was seeking the ability to negotiate with the owner. He went on to state that the funding would come directly from the General Fund and the sales of the old buildings would go back into the General Fund. Council Member Burch stated that this purchase would create a savings factor and that the old Fire Department building is dilapidated. Council Member Dye inquired what would happen after the offer is made. Mayor Elliott stated that he wanted to offer eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000) but stated that he would go from there and that he would like to get it under contract.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER DYE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BURCH TO AUTHORIZE THE NEGOTIATION OF THE PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 101 E FOURTH AVE.**

**MOTION CARRIES 3-0.**

**I. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**I.1. MAYOR – JOSH ELLIOTT**

I.1.1. Contacted different properties about acquiring easements for the booster pumps for the needed booster pump station needed for the Coffeyville Supply Line project.

**I.2. CITY CLERK – ADAM LANTER**

I.2.1. Easement letters have been mailed out to property owners.

I.2.2. EMC has accepted all of the documents for their audit.

I.2.3. The first quarter Planning and Zoning meeting will be held on March 17<sup>th</sup>.

**I.3. UTILITY CLERK – JALISSA JONES**

I.3.1. Sewer averaging has been completed, and the accounts have been updated to their specific average.

I.3.2. Water bills have been mailed out and are in the new template in lieu of the postcards.

I.3.3. Preparing for the audit.

**J. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

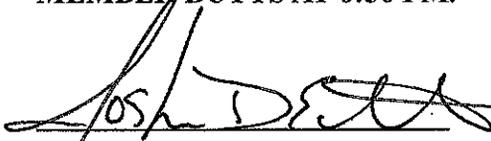
The were no Council comments.

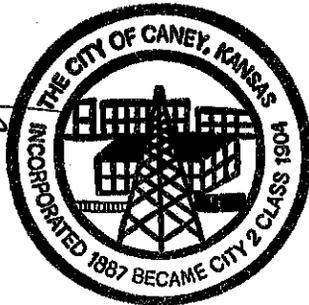
**K. INFORMATIONAL**

K.1. A workshop will be held after the regular City Council meeting on March 16<sup>th</sup> to go over the changes to the livestock ordinance.

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER DYE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BUTTS AT 6:56 PM.**

  
Joshua D. Elliott, Mayor



Attest:

  
Adam Lanter, City Clerk